Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTIETH YEAR

OF

CENTENARY COLLEGE OF LOUISIANA

SATURDAY, THE SEVENTH OF MAY

TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

GOLD DOME

TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK

Order of Exercises

PROCESSIONAL: *"Pomp and Circumstance"* ..... Edward Elgar
Centenary Wind Ensemble
Dr. Thomas Stone, Conductor

*NATIONAL ANTHEM ..... led by the Centenary College Choir

*INVOCATION ..... The Reverend Betsy Eaves
Chaplain, Centenary College

*HYMN: *"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"* ..... led by the Centenary Wind Ensemble
and the Centenary College Choir

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

Mortals join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

SCRIPTURE READING: Micah 6:6-8 ..... Reverend Eaves

ANTHEM: "America the Beautiful" ..... John Beck
Centenary College Choir
Dr. Will Andress, Director

Conferring of Honorary Degrees ..... Dr. Kenneth L. Schwab, President
Mr. William G. Anderson, Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Dr. Darrel D. Colson, Provost and Dean of the College

Address ..... Mr. Mark Fischetti
Veteran science writer and editor

Special Recognition ..... Dr. Schwab and Dr. Colson

Induction of the Class of 2005 into the Alumni Association ..... Mrs. Kelsey Johnson
Class Speaker, Class of 2005

Conferring of Honors and Degrees in Course ..... Dr. Schwab and Dr. Colson

*Alma Mater ..... led by the Centenary Wind Ensemble
and the Centenary College Choir

Where the sleepy, silver bayou
Gleams among the pines,
Watching o'er the throbbing city
Alma Mater shines.

Chorus

Forward, forward, Centenary—
Time and tide may fail,
But our hearts shall love thee ever—
Centenary, Hail!

*Benediction ..... The Reverend Carl E. Rhoads III

Recessional ..... led by the Centenary Wind Ensemble

*The audience will stand.
(Please remain seated during the processional and the recessional.)

President and Mrs. Schwab cordially invite family and friends of graduates to a reception following Commencement at the north entrance of the Gold Dome.

Grand Marshal – Dr. Earle Labor
Faculty Marshal – Mr. Robert Buseick
Ushers – Maroon Jackets

Please see back of program for photo and video information.

Candidates for Degrees

Students Being Graduated With Academic Honors

Summa Cum Laude

Elizabeth Rae Coody
Laura L. Daigle
Mary Rose Daniel
Addie Smith Dickson
Autumn Grace Frazier
Kylie Michelle Garrett
Rebecca Rhiannon Groves
Kelsey Anne Johnson
Barbara Theresa Kelley
Lauren Anne Koehn
Lacey Ann Millet
Sarah Kate Ross
Helen-Frances Sanders
Anja Schmidt
Ashley Elizabeth Sittig
Lindsey Lynn Stafford
Mamina Marie Turegano
Angela Saige Wilhite
Katherine Ruth Willis

Magna Cum Laude

Lindsey Dell Bagley
Mary Victoria Bocchini
Aaron Alexander Elrod
Meredith Frances Foster
Mary Marshall Greene
Amanda Moushon Harper
Jamie M. Jahnke
Yao Jin
Vladimir Vesselinov Kamenov
David James Kiefer
John Henry Kizer
Leanne Marie LaCaze
Kristen Leigh Leverett
Melinda D. Levinski
Ashlee Cristin Mantooth
Laura Westbrook Morgan
Sherilyn Bossier Mueller
Sarah Gloria Myers
Rachel Ella Reischling
Danielle Lea Rushing
Megan Jayne Saucier
Rachel Norma Sayad
Shannon Catherine Shea
Katherine Y. Smith
Laurie S. Stevison
Sara Elizabeth Thompson
Katherine Eleanore Walker
Stephen Andrew Weeks
Jason Derek Williams
Samuel O'Neal Williams
Ashley B. Young

Cum Laude

Stephanie L. Beaver
Lisa Nicole Bounds
Cathleen Elizabeth Byrne
Devon Elaine Castleberry
Gregory Dean Clarke
Steven David Deas
Alison Chase Delaney
Jonathan Daniel Dent
Morgan Michelle Elliott
Elva D. Ezernack
Sherricka Harrisia Monique Fields
Darren Alexander Gibbs
Brian Edward Grone
Courtney Ellen Herzog
Emily Beth Jackson
Ashley Marie Lacy
Alanna Lynn Lewis
Andrew Hai Mai
Kaela Aleeca Meinert
Adam Richard Oakley
Elizabeth Virginia Rives
Stacey Marie Ryder
Brantley Meyer Sasseen
Devon Lucas Schmidt
Lucas Ryan Spence
Jeffrey Nathan Stotts
Kirsten René Thomas
Lauren Elizabeth Thrift
Timothy Wayne Vance
Leah Kay Wingate
Lindsay Frances Yearwood

Bachelor of Arts

Stephanie L. Beaver, *English*
Ashley Marie Beckham, *Theatre*
Justin Lane Beckham, *Political Science*
Jane Lindsey Bellamy, *Spanish*
Breanna Irene Betts, *Communication: New Media*
Lisa Nicole Bounds, *English/Communications Emphasis*
Sarah Catherine Bowman, *Economics and Political Science*
Erin Kathleen Broderick, *Theatre*
Rachel India Buchanan, *Dance and Spanish*
Paul Buttner, *Interdisciplinary Studies*
Cathleen Elizabeth Byrne, *Social Studies Education*
Emily Meagan Cardin, *Elementary Education*
Gregory Dean Clarke, *Economics*
Elizabeth Rae Coody, *English*
Sabine Elster Cox, *Latin*
Mary Rose Daniel, *Psychology*
Kathryn Irene Davis, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Malinda Anne DeBusk, *Elementary Education*
Alison Chase Delaney, *Art and French*
Katherine Marie DuPont, *Dance and Communication: Professional Writing*
Morgan Michelle Elliott, *History*
Genevieve B. Ellis, *Psychology*
Aaron Alexander Elrod, *Economics*
Aaron Alexander Elrod, *French*
Christopher Michael Farr, *Theatre*
Jonathan R. Ferrell, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Autumn Grace Frazier, *Studio Art*
Jessica L. Gandy, *Psychology*
Kylie Michelle Garrett, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Darren Alexander Gibbs, *Political Science*
Margaret Rose Goodloe, *History*
Jessica Rose Haas, *History*
Amanda Moushon Harper, *Psychology*
Jennifer Lee Hayes, *Psychology*
Jessica Lynn Hayes, *Political Science*
Katrina Lasham Henry, *Psychology*
Ashley Elizabeth Herrmann, *Communication: New Media*
Courtney Ellen Herzog, Communication: New Media
Kelsey Anne Johnson, *Communication: Professional Writing and French*
Lauren Aline Kamberi, *Psychology*
David James Kiefer. *Communication: Professional Writing*
Leanne Marie LaCaze, *Political Science*
Brandon Michael Larson, *Physics*
Melinda D. Levinski, *Psychology*
Alanna Lynn Lewis, *English*
Kimberly Ruth Magnuson, *Sociology*
Matthew Bryan Martin, *Neuroscience*
Amanda Jane McCarter, *Communication: Film/Television/Video*
Christopher Hartley McLain, *Psychology*
Laura Westbrook Morgan, *"Intercultural Communication" and Ancient & Modern Languages*
Mae Elizabeth Mouk, *Political Science*
Ashly Ann Neal, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Adam Richard Oakley, *Sociology*
Sarah Kathryn Perkins, *History and Theatre*
Jennifer Lynn Powell, *Religious Studies*
Peter Woodham Raish, *English*
Cassandra D'Entress Ratcliff, *Psychology*
Ryan Todd Reid, *Religious Studies*
Rachel Ella Reischling, *English*
Rachel Ella Reischling, *Music*
Ashley Lauren Ritter, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Danielle Lea Rushing, *Psychology*
Derek Andrew Sallis, *Liberal Arts*

Helen-Frances Sanders, *French*
Brantley Meyer Sasseen, *Political Science*
Brantley Meyer Sasseen, *Spanish*
Megan Jayne Saucier, *Religious Studies*
Rachel Norma Sayad, *French*
Charity Amanda Schubert, *French*
Rachel Johnson Scott, *Music*
Shannon Catherine Shea, Theatre
Claire Reneé Shidler, *Psychology*
Jesse Roberta Smith, *Dance and Psychology*
Katherine Y. Smith, *Political Science*
Megan C. Taylor, *Theatre*
Kirsten René Thomas, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Sara Elizabeth Thompson, *History*
Lauren Elizabeth Thrift, *Music*
Katherine Eleanore Walker, *Communication: New Media*
Malissa Caroline Watkins, *Sociology*
Katharine Maria Watts, *Psychology*
Angela Saige Wilhite, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Jared Roland Williams, *Psychology*
Krystal Lynn Williamson, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Leah Kay Wingate, *Communication: Professional Writing*
Patrick Willer Woolbert, *Psychology*
Ashley B. Young, *Communication: Professional Writing*

Bachelor of Music

Sterling Martin Allen, *Music: Vocal Performance*
Laura L. Daigle, *Music Theory & Composition*
Meredith Frances Foster, *Music: Orchestral Performance*
Katherine L. Fullbright, *Music Education: Vocal*
Zachary C. Ingrim, *Sacred Music*
Jamie M. Jahnke, *Music Education: Instrumental*
Ra'Gene DeAndre Johnson, *Sacred Music*
Andrew Michael Ley, *Music Theory & Composition*
Sarah Kate Ross, *Music: Vocal Performance*
Devon Lucas Schmidt, *Music: Orchestral Performance*
Brian Lee White, *Music Theory & Composition*

Bachelor of Science

Lindsey Del Bagley, *Elementary Education*
Andrew Hallman Barkley, *Business Administration*
Andrew Hallman Barkley, *Finance*
John Curtis Biagi, *Health & Exercise Science*
Jay Kyle Binderim, *Business Administration and Finance*
Mary Victoria Bocchini, *Biology*
Ashley Nicole Bouillion, *Health & Exercise Science*
Daniel L. Bria, *Business Administration*
Michael A. Cardone, *Business Administration*
Devon Elaine Castleberry, *Biology*
Rita Louise Coolidge, *Business Administration*
Shawn Kefentse Davis, *Health & Exercise Science*
Steven David Deas, *Biology*
Jonathan Daniel Dent, *Biochemistry*
Addie Smith Dickson, *Biochemistry*
Daniel Ruben Epstein, *Biophysics and Neuroscience*
Elva D. Ezernack, *Psychology*
Sherricka Harrisia Monique Fields, *Business Administration*
Sherricka Harrisia Monique Fields, *Finance*
Michael J. Gale, *Health & Exercise Science*
John Ross Goodloe, *Health & Exercise Science*
Mary Marshall Greene, *Business Administration*
Brian Edward Grone, *Business Administration, Finance, and Business Economics*
Rebecca Rhiannon Groves, *Mathematics*
Justin Daniel Haeuser, *Health & Exercise Science*
Katie Renee Harwick, *Biology*
Charles Sean Hauser, *Biology*
Emily Beth Jackson, *Health & Exercise Science*
Jennifer Marie Jackson, *Health & Exercise Science*
Yao Jin, *Finance*
Vladimir Vesselinov Kamenov, *Business Administration and Finance*
Brett Allen Kaufman, *Business Administration*
Courtney Michelle Keller, *Neuroscience*
Barbara Theresa Kelley, *Business Administration*
Janis Michele Kelley, *Health & Exercise Science*
Melissa Richards Kilanowski, *Business Administration*
John Henry Kizer, *Business Administration*
Lauren Anne Koehn, *Health & Exercise Science*
Lory Dianne Kowaleski, *Health & Physical Education*
Jeffrey David Krulin, *Finance*
Michael Alexander Krulin, *Biology*
Ashley Marie Lacy, *Biochemistry*
Jordan R. Lansdale, *Elementary Education*
Kristen Leigh Leverett, *Biology*
Melinda D. Levinski, *Biology*
Michael Richard Lindahl, *Health & Exercise Science*
Andrew Hai Mai, *Biology*
Ashlee Cristin Mantooth, *Chemistry*
Courtney Anne McCotter, *Health & Exercise Science*
Alaina Janelle McMillian, *Biology*
Kaela Aleeca Meinert, *Accounting and Business Administration*
Kristen Miles Middleton, *Psychology*
Gary McElwin Miles, *Business Administration*
Lacey Ann Millet, *Biochemistry and Neuroscience*
Tara Kaye Mitchell, *Business Administration*
Sherilyn Bossier Mueller, *Health & Physical Education*
Sarah Gloria Myers, *Biology*
Tabatha Donielle Myers, *Interdisciplinary Studies: "Science Education"*
Jenney Ann Palmer, *Environmental Sciences*
Parrin James Patterson, *Biology*
Emily Blythe Phifer, *Biology*
Elizabeth Virginia Rives, *Neuroscience*
Amanda Susanne Rowell, *Health & Exercise Science*
David J. Ruffing, *Health & Exercise Science*
Stacey Marie Ryder, *Biophysics*
Joshua Paul Scallan, *Biology and Psychology*
Anja Schmidt, *Business Administration and Business Economics*
Joseph R. Sidaros, *Finance*
Ashley Elizabeth Sittig, *Biology*
Lucas Ryan Spence, *Biology*
Lindsey Lynn Stafford, *Health & Exercise Science*
Laurie S. Stevison, *Biophysics*
Meredith Lynn Stewart, *Biophysics*
Jeffrey Nathan Stotts, *Biology*
Logan Wade Thomas, *Neuroscience*
Alison Brooke Tolar, *Business Administration*
Mamina Marie Turegano, *Neuroscience*
Timothy Wayne Vance, *Geology*
Stephen Andrew Weeks, *Finance and Business Administration*
Jason Derek Williams, *Finance and Mathematics*
Samuel O'Neal Williams, *Chemistry*
Katherine Ruth Willis, *Accounting and Business Administration*
Lindsey Ann Wilson, *Health & Exercise Science*
Angela Lynn Word, *Business Administration*
Lindsay Frances Yearwood, *Psychology*

Master of Arts in Teaching

Amy Vaughn Avery, *Elementary Education*
Twyla Jeannette Carter-Abraham, *Secondary Education*

Kathryn M. Barkley, *Elementary Education*
Carla Bryant Barnes, *Elementary Education*
Kimberly Ann Milam Burton, *Elementary Education*
Flynn J. Dulle, *Elementary Education*
Antoinette Wilson Edwards, *Elementary Education*
Rebecca A. Ewing, *Elementary Education*
Bebe Lyn Ezelle, *Elementary Education*
Ramona Denise Hahn, *Elementary Education*
Karen Leslie Keirn, *Elementary Education*
Christa Michelle Laughter, *Secondary Education*
Kristi Kay Engelbrecht Lindow, *Elementary Education*
Glendon N. Mezzio, *Elementary Education*
Susanna Hiss Pippel, *Elementary Education*
Anne Williams Ramirez, *Secondary Education*
Heather Cobb Tompkins, *Elementary Education*
Angela R. Watson, *Elementary Education*
Jerry Randol Young, *Secondary Education*

Master of Education

Sharon Skyrme Burgess, *Supervision of Instruction*
Stephanie Lynn Courtney-Peavy, *Supervision of Instruction*
Chandra Danita Smith Foster, *Elementary Education*
Paesha L. Finister-Wright, *Education Administration*
Pamela Lyniece Graham, *Supervision of Instruction*
Mary Jean Grimes, *Elementary Education*
Michele Johnston Hendrix, *Education Administration*
Robert Edward Hendrix, *Education Administration*
Judy Lavender Nicholas, *Education Adminstration*
Karen Denise Pharr, *Education Administration*
Melissa Lester Shaw, *Education Administration*
Kathareen Sudds, *Supervision of Instruction*
Kimberly C. Thomas, *Education Administration*
Allison Faith Thompson, *Education Administration*

Master of Business Administration

Leonard K. Cox
Carla DeAnn Fowler
Tara Ellen Hammack
Nathan James Hanks
Anita Cecile LeDeaux-Ricks
Terrance Rhine McNaight
Adam Hugh Sistrunk

Honorary Degrees

Mark A. Fischetti, Doctor of Laws
Carl E. Rhoads III, Doctor of Divinity

Departmental Honors

The following students have distinguished themselves by achieving Departmental Honors in the designated disciplines, signifying the completion of an intensive research project with presentation of the results to student peers and faculty.

Sherilyn Bossier Mueller, *Exercise Science*
Sarah Catherine Bowman, *Economics*
Gregory Dean Clarke, *Economics*
Elizabeth Rae Coody, *English*
Mary Rose Daniel, *Psychology*
Jonathan Daniel Dent, *Biochemistry*
Addie Smith Dickson, *Biology*
Addie Smith Dickson, *Chemistry*
Aaron Alexander Elrod, *Economics*
Charles Sean Hauser, *Biology*
Emily Beth Jackson, *Exercise Science*
Yao Jin, *Finance*
Lauren Anne Koehn, *Exercise Science*
Lory Dianne Kowaleski, *Exercise Science*
Leanne Marie LaCaze, *Political Science*
Ashley Marie Lacy, *Biochemistry*
Alanna Lynn Lewis, *English*
Ashlee Cristin Mantooth, *Chemistry*
Lacey Ann Millet, *Biochemistry*
Laura Westbrook Morgan, *Foreign Languages*
Rachel Ella Reischling, *English*
Brantley Meyer Sasseen, *Political Science*
Megan Jayne Saucier, *Religious Studies*
Anja Schmidt, *Business Economics*
Katherine Y. Smith, *Political Science*
Laurie S. Stevison, *Biology*
Laurie S. Stevison, *Biophysics*
Sara Elizabeth Thompson, *History*
Samuel O'Neal Williams, *Chemistry*

Graduating Students Who Received Awards on Thursday, April 21, 2005

McFaddin Latin Award
Alanna Lynn Lewis
Laura Westbrook Morgan

R. Johnson Watts Award
Sabine Elster Cox

Top Accounting Student Award
Katherine Ruth Willis

Institute of Management Accountants Award
Kaela Aleeca Meinert

Top Business Major Award
Barbara Theresa Kelley

Top Economics Major Award
Anja Schmidt

Top Finance Major Award
Yao Jin

Cecil E. Ramey, Jr. Frost School of Business Award
Mary Marshall Greene

Frost School of Business Faculty Award
Aaron Alexander Elrod
Yao Jin

Frost School of Business Leadership Award
Gregory Dean Clarke

Wall Street Journal Award
Katherine Ruth Willis

Chemistry Departmental Award
Addie Smith Dickson

Escaped Images Dance Company Award
Katherine Marie DuPont
Sherricka Harrisia Monique Fields
Jesse Roberta Smith

Hallquist Elementary Education Award
Malinda Anne DeBusk

Vroonland Secondary Education Award
Katherine L. Fullbright

M. T. Brewerton Award for English
Elizabeth Rae Coody

Zeak Monroe Buckner Creative Writing Award
Ashley B. Young

David L. Bedard Health and Exercise Science Award
Lindsey Lynn Stafford

Tip Davidson Award
Emily Beth Jackson
Janis Michele Kelley

James C. Farrar Health and Physical Education Award
Lory Dianne Kowaleski

Estwing Manufacturing Company Award in Geology
Timothy Wayne Vance

M. T. Brewerton Award for History
Sara Elizabeth Thompson

Leroy Vogel Memorial Award
Katherine Y. Smith

Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society in History
Jane Lindsey Bellamy
Alanna Lynn Lewis

John A. Hardin Award in Mathematics
Rebecca Rhiannon Groves

A. J. and Nona Trigg Hodges Choir Spirit Award
Jonathan R. Ferrell

A. C. "Cheesy" Voran Award
Megan Jayne Saucier

Director's Award in Music
Jared Roland Williams

Outstanding Senior Music Major Award
Laura L. Daigle

Bettina C. Hilman Award for Academic Excellence
Lacey Ann Millet
Mamina Marie Turegano

Outstanding Biophysics Student of the Year
Laurie S. Stevison

Outstanding Senior in Psychology Award
Danielle Lea Rushing

Vroonland Psychology Award
Mary Rose Daniel

Thomas A. Pitt Memorial Award
Kelsey Anne Johnson
Megan Jayne Saucier

Minnie Hall Brown Award in Church Careers
Elizabeth Rae Coody

Dean R. E. Smith Religious Studies Award
Megan Jayne Saucier

W. Ferrell Pledger Award in Sociology
Malissa Caroline Watkins

Omicron Delta Epsilon Award

Sarah Catherine Bowman
Gregory Dean Clarke
Aaron Alexander Elrod
Brian Edward Grone
Anja Schmidt

Omicron Delta Kappa Award

Cathleen Elizabeth Byrne
Malinda Anne DeBusk
Daniel Ruben Epstein
Mary Marshall Greene
Rebecca Rhiannon Groves
Barbara Theresa Kelley
Lindsey Lynn Stafford
Jeffrey Nathan Stotts
Leah Kay Wingate

Theta Alpha Kappa Award
Mary Marshall Greene

Athletic Achievement Award
Anja Schmidt

Greek Man of the Year Award
Darren Alexander Gibbs

Greek Woman of the Year Award
Lisa Nicole Bounds

Centenary College Student Service Award
Kelsey Anne Johnson

Community Building Program of the Year
Krystal Lynn Williamson

Joy Jeffers Outstanding Service Award
Ashley Elizabeth Sittig

Ray Williams Honorary Maroon Jacket Award
Jonathan R. Ferrell

Resident Assistant of the Year Award
Laurie S. Stevison

SGA Bullet Award
Lacey Ann Millet

Ellis H. Brown Leadership Award
Darren Alexander Gibbs
Lacey Ann Millet

Centenary Pacesetters

Lisa Nicole Bounds
Devon Elaine Castleberry
Jonathan R. Ferrell
Darren Alexander Gibbs
Kelsey Anne Johnson
Lacey Ann Millet
Mae Elizabeth Mouk
Ashley Elizabeth Sittig
Jeffrey Nathan Stotts

Centenary Gent
Andrew Hallman Barkley

Centenary Lady
Mamina Marie Turegano

Alpha Chi

Elizabeth Rae Coody
Laura L. Daigle
Mary Rose Daniel
Addie Smith Dickson
Autumn Grace Frazier
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Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges

Lisa Nicole Bounds
Sarah Catherine Bowman
Devon Elaine Castleberry
Gregory Dean Clarke
Elizabeth Rae Coody
Mary Rose Daniel
Addie Smith Dickson
Aaron Alexander Elrod
Sherricka Harrisia Monique Fields
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Katherine Eleanore Walker
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Katherine Ruth Willis

Academic Dress

Much interest is always occasioned by an academic procession because of the colorful dress worn for ceremonies by the faculty and the graduates. In general, the gown indicates the level of the highest degree held: for bachelors, the black gown with flowing, pointed sleeves; for masters, the black gown with sleeves slit midway for the arms, and the sleeve bottom closed flat with a semicircle cut in the side; for doctors, the flowing closed robe with sleeves closed at the wrist, decorated with chevrons of velvet, most often black on black, but occasionally with chevrons of another color indicating the general field of study, for example blue for philosophy, red for theology, or purple for law; or the entire robe of another color, as the light blue of Columbia, the crimson of Harvard, or the gold of Johns Hopkins.

Caps are nearly uniform, gold tassels indicating the doctorate or doctoral equivalents, black tassels the lower degrees.

Most identification is contained in the hoods. The velvet edging is two inches wide for masters and three for doctors. Its color indicates the subject matter in which the wearer's degree was earned: white for arts, letters, or humanities; drab for business; light blue for education; brown for fine arts; lemon for library science; pink for music; dark blue for philosophy; sage green for physical education; golden yellow for science; or scarlet for theology and divinity. The lining of the hood is a precise code identifying the university of the degree's origin. The variations from these descriptions are mostly from foreign universities.

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